

News release

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Severe gales set to return

The Met Office is warning of a return of severe gales through this week, with winds possibly gusting over 80 m.p.h., followed by a change to much colder weather during the weekend.

The focus of concern is turning to Wednesday night and into Thursday, when severe gales are forecast to affect many areas. The strongest winds are likely to occur over much of England and Wales, bringing the potential for more disruption.

A change in the weather is then forecast, with much lower temperatures and the threat of snow for northern and eastern areas of Britain, before drier, brighter and frosty weather sets in for next week.

The key message for the public is to keep up to date with the forecast and the latest travel information. The Met Office works with other key organisations to help the UK cope during severe weather.

The forecast for this winter points to an increase in the frequency of cold snaps through the second half of the winter.

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